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SUBJ: DATA REQUIREMENTS FOR A FUNCTIONAL AND REGIONAL
ANALYSIS OF DEFENSE EXPENDITURES

REFS: A. USNATO 3698; B. USNATO 3892

1. WE SUPPORT THE CONCEPT OF COLLECTING DATA WHICH
DISPLAYS ALLIANCE EXPENDITURES ON FUNCTIONAL AND REGIONAL
BASES BUT RECOGNIZE THAT THE EFFORT MAY BE DIFFICULT FOR
SOME COUNTRIES, AS YOU HAVE POINTED OUT IN CASE OF CANADA.

2. OUR REVIEW OF PROPOSAL IN AC/281-N(73)9 LEADS US TO
BELIEVE THAT FURTHER WORK NEEDS TO BE DONE BEFORE AN
ACCEPTABLE QUESTIONNAIRE IS DEVELOPED AND SENT TO COUNTRIES
FOR ACCOMPLISHMENT.

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3. WE ARE SEARCHING FOR AN ALTERNATIVE FORMAT FOR
QUESTIONNAIRE WHICH WE HOPE WILL ESTABLISH A MORE PRACTICAL
BASIS FOR THE IS EFFORT. WE WILL PROVIDE FURTHER THOUGHTS
PRIOR TO YOUR NEXT MEETING ON THIS SUBJECT.

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